

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO.: 3268-01  
BILL NO.: HB 1436  
SUBJECT: Education, Elementary and Secondary: Licenses  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: February 15, 2000

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** assume the Division of Family Services would include the prohibition in the contracts entered into with the Early Childhood funds. There would be no additional costs or savings associated with the bill.

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume this language appears to disallow payment of Early Childhood Development, Education and Care Fund moneys to companies that employ unlicensed counselors, regardless of whether or not the unlicensed counselors are providing counseling services to prekindergarten children. There could be an impact in terms of a substantial reduction in the number of agencies eligible to serve the Missouri Preschool Program.

DESE assumes the net fiscal impact is not expected to be significant because it is assumed companies employing only licensed counselors would be able to handle the increased caseload that would stem from the reduction in eligible service providers.

The administrative impact to DESE is expected to be less than \$100,000, and be one-time in nature. The **Oversight Division** assumes DESE could accomplish the provisions of the proposal with existing resources.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	\$0	\$0	\$0

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

### DESCRIPTION

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The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education would not be allowed to provide moneys from the Early Childhood Development, Education and Care Fund to any counselor or any company providing counseling services who is not licensed to provide counseling services in this state.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Department of Social Services

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Jarrett". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a cursive "e" at the end.

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